

MARVEL

OMEGA

PART 8 OF 8

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EXTREME CARNAGE

THE
SYMBIOTIC
STORY OF THE
SUMMER ENDS
HERE!

YEARS AGO, THE ALIEN SYMBIOTE CALLED VENOM WAS FORCED TO SPAWN FIVE OFFSPRING. KNOWN AS THE LIFE FOUNDATION SYMBIOTES: SCREAM, PHAGE, RIOT, LASHER AND AGONY HAVE HAD VIOLENT PATHS, HOPPING FROM HOST TO HOST. THOUGH THEY'VE BROKEN FREE FROM THE ONCE SYMBIOTE GOD, KNULL, THEY'VE NOW BEEN RECRUITED BY ANOTHER DANGEROUS ENTITY TO WREAK...

EXTREME CARNAGE OMEGA

CARNAGE HAS PHYSICALLY CORRUPTED ITS YOUNGER SIBLINGS, THE LIFE FOUNDATION SYMBIOTES, ONE BY ONE, REACHING OUT THROUGH THE TELEPATHIC LINK THEY ALL SHARE: THE HIVE. PHAGE, RIOT, LASHER AND NOW AGONY ARE CARNAGE'S WILLING EMISSARIES.

CARNAGE HAS INFILTRATED SENATOR ARTHUR KRANE'S ANTI-ALIEN FRIENDS OF HUMANITY MOVEMENT. FLASH THOMPSON, A.K.A. AGENT ANTI-VENOM, HAS ONLY JUST PUT THE PIECES OF CARNAGE'S EVIL PLAN TOGETHER.

NOW FLASH, ANDI BENTON (BONDED TO A NEW HYBRID SYMBIOTE AND CALLING HERSELF SILENCE), TOXIN AND ITS NEW HOST, BREN WATERS, AND FLASH'S WAR BUDDY, HANK, ARE RACING TO STOP CARNAGE FROM REALIZING HIS APOCALYPTIC SCHEME FROM UNFOLDING.

BUT THEY MAY BE TOO LATE...

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TODAY'S
THE DAY, MY
FRIENDS.



THE
DAY IT ALL
BEGINS.



WHILE OUR
SO-CALLED "LEADERS"
CRY THEIR CROCODILE
TEARS AND GIVE US THEIR
"THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS"
FOR THOSE WE'VE LOST TO
THE ALIEN FILTH ALL AROUND
THE WORLD, THE **FRIENDS
OF HUMANITY** DRAW
OUR LINE IN THE
SAND.

MARK
MY WORDS--
PEOPLE WILL
LOOK BACK AND
REMEMBER
TODAY...



"...AS THE DAY
EVERYTHING
CHANGED."



DZZT
DZZZZT



HANK!!!

HANK,
WE'RE ON
OUR WAY TO
YOU! CAN
YOU HEAR
ME?

SORRY,
THOMPSON.
YOUR WAR BUDDY
CAN'T COME
TO THE PHONE
RIGHT NOW.



WE JUST
SPILLED HIS
GUTS ALL OVER
THE FLOOR.



IF THAT'S TRUE, YOU **PSYCHO**, YOU'RE GONNA WISH YOU WERE NEVER--

HEY, MAN, DON'T BLAME ME. YOU MIGHT AS WELL HAVE BLED HIM YOURSELF. YOU OUGHTA KNOW BETTER THAN TO BRING A **NORMIE** INTO THIS.



CARNAGE WAS ONTO HIM ALMOST FROM THE START, YOU KNOW. PLAYED YOU BOTH LIKE **CHUMPS**. YOU REALLY OUGHTA BE EMBAR--



HELLO?

HANK? IS THAT YOU?



THIS IS
SLEEPER.

RIOT IS
DOWN.



SLEEPER,
IS HANK
OKAY?

ROGER
THAT. HOST IS
RECOVERING.



SLEEPER...

...IS HANK
AWARE THAT HE'S A
SYMBIOTE?



NEGATIVE.
HOST IS
UNAWARE.

KEEP
IT THAT WAY.
FOR NOW.



WE'RE ON OUR
WAY TO YOU, SLEEPER.
KEEP RIOT CONTAINED,
AND GIVE DR. STEVEN
OF ALCHEMAX THEIR
LOCATION.

WHEN STEVEN'S
PEOPLE ARRIVE, GET
EVERYONE YOU CAN
AWAY FROM THAT SPEECH.
IT'S ABOUT TO BE A
BLOODBATH.



ROGER
THAT.

YOU
CAN COUNT
ON US.

"LOOK
AROUND YOU,
MY FRIENDS."



SEE WHAT
HEROES
LOOK LIKE.

WHILE YOUR
SO-CALLED
"PRESIDENT"
OFFERS YOU
ANOTHER
MEANINGLESS
STATUE...



...WHILE
OTHERS TALK ABOUT
UNITY AND PEACE AND
UNDERSTANDING...



...THE **HEROES** STANDING
TO YOUR LEFT AND RIGHT
HAD THE COURAGE TO
STAND UP AND SAY,
NO MORE!!!

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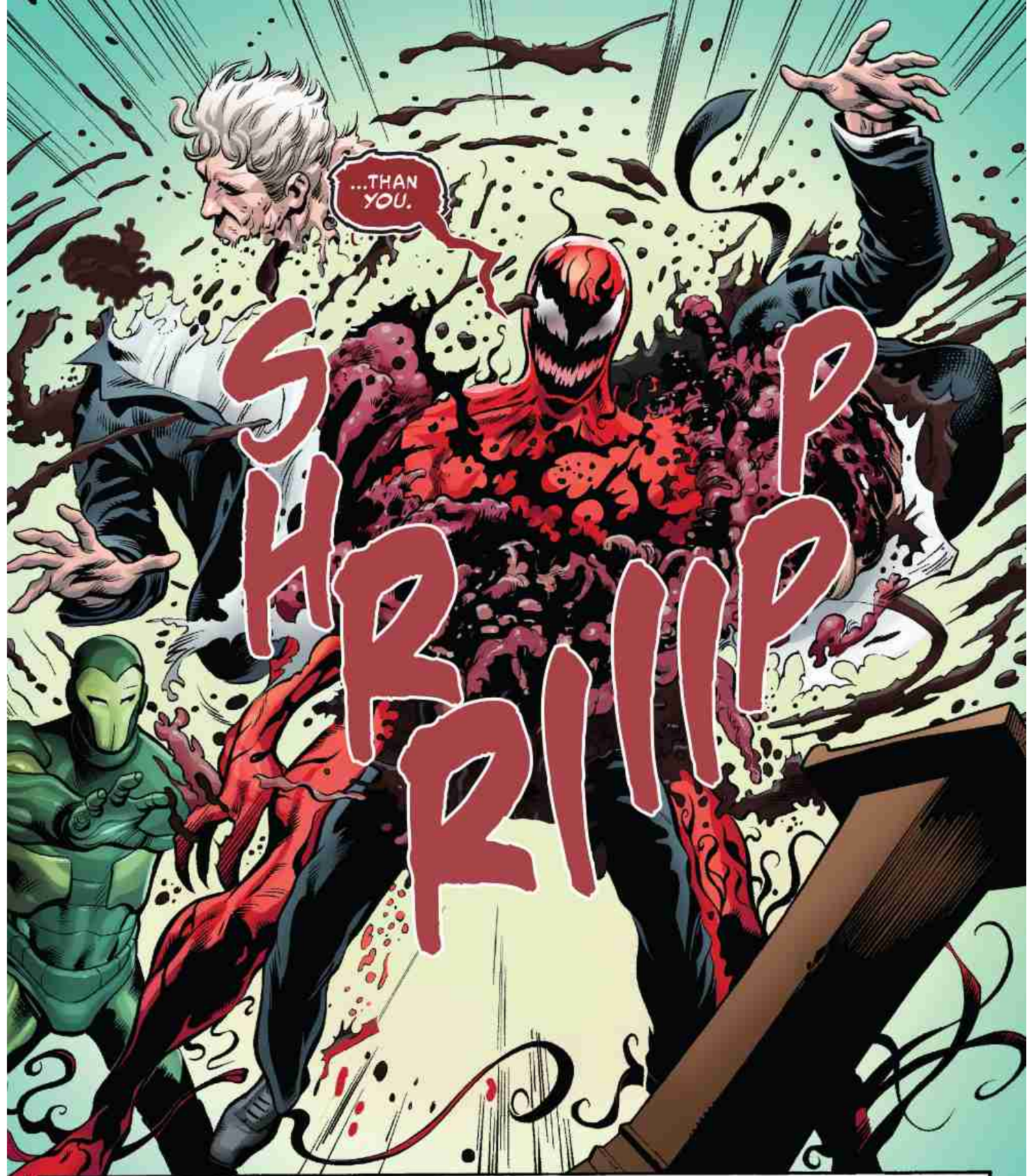


THAT'S
WHAT A HERO IS,
MY FRIENDS!
IT'S YOU!

NOT THE MASKED
MUTANTS OR ARMORED
BILLIONAIRES OR
ALIEN FREAKS!

GRNNK











HEEEERE,
PIGGY, PIGGY, PIGGY,
PIGGY...

G-GET
AWAY FROM ME,
FREAK!!!

BRAAAAKK



...SOFT
PIGGY...

THWOCK

BRAAAAKK

AAAAAGGGHH!!!



DON'T RUN,
LITTLE PIGGY.
PAPA CARNAGE
IS GONNA TAKE
GOOD CARE
OF YOU.

OH GOD...
PLEASE
STOP...

RIPPP

SECURITY



HURRRK...

GONNA
PULL OUT
ALL YOUR
LITTLE PIGGY
PARTS...

THOCK



...TILL I
FIND THE
PARTS I LIKE
BEST.

**SPLURK RIP POP
SHLUUURRP**





PHAGE
HAS BEEN
HIT.

IT'S
THOMPSON'S
CREW. THEY'RE
HERE.

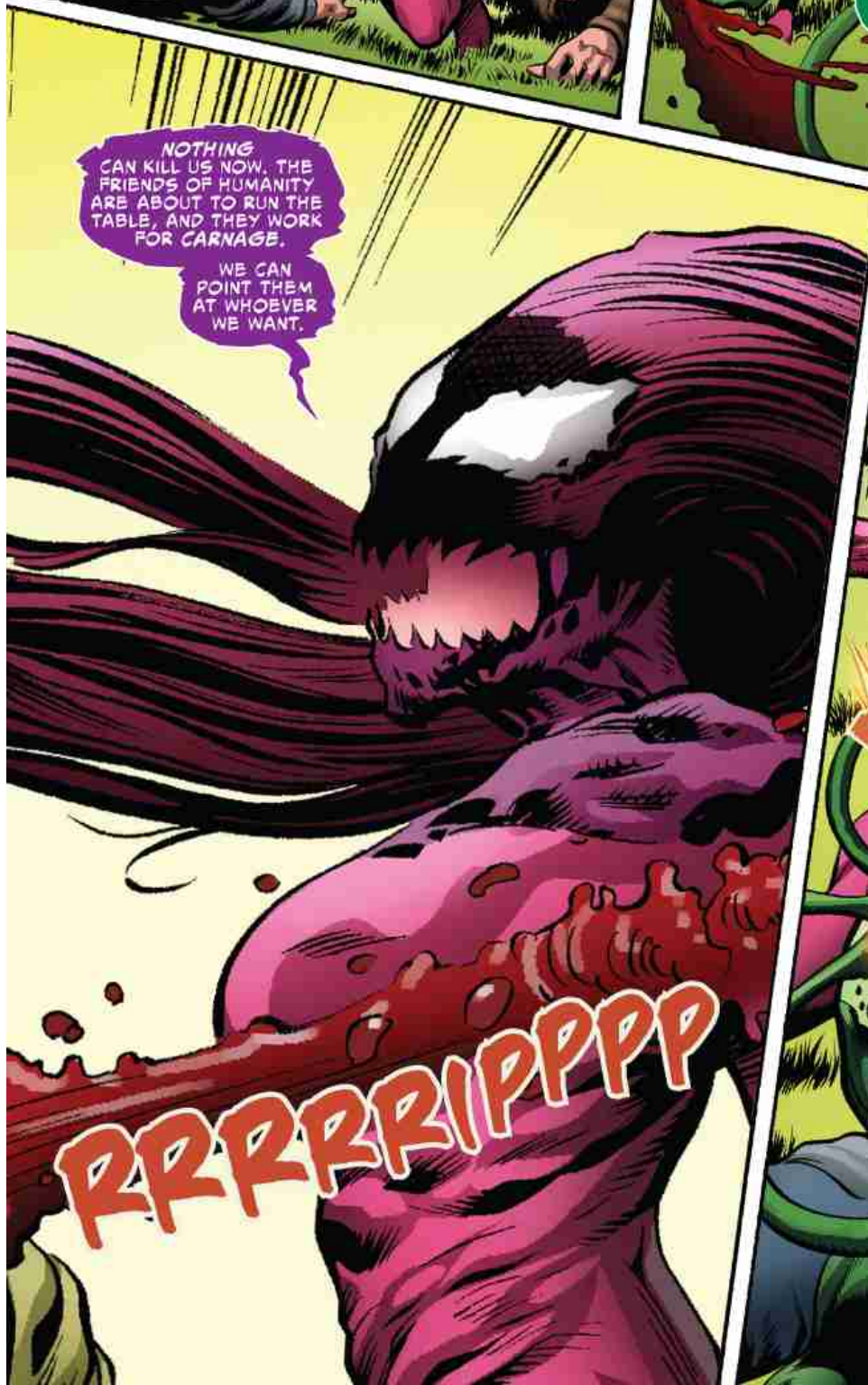
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IT DOESN'T
MATTER. WE'VE
ALREADY DONE WHAT
WE CAME HERE TO DO.
THE WHOLE WORLD
IS WATCHING.

IT'LL
MATTER IF
THEY KILL
US.

THRRECK



NOTHING
CAN KILL US NOW. THE
FRIENDS OF HUMANITY
ARE ABOUT TO RUN THE
TABLE, AND THEY WORK
FOR CARNAGE.

WE CAN
POINT THEM
AT WHOEVER
WE WANT.

RRRRRIIPPPPP



BRAAANK

SOMEONE'S
GETTING A
LITTLE AHEAD OF
THEMSELVES.



YOU'LL
NEED TO
MAKE IT OUT
OF HERE
FIRST.

YEAH, AND
THAT'S NOT
HAPPENING.



AGONY.

YOU.
WHAT'S
THIS NEW...
THING YOU'RE
BONDED
WITH?

KRAIE



WHAT DID
YOU DO TO
SCREAM?!

WE'RE
CALLED
SILENCE
NOW.

AND YOU
SHOULD BE
WORRYING...

...WHAT
WE'RE ABOUT
TO DO TO
YOU.



BRRRAAAAAAKK

FEELS GOOD TO BE
SETTLING THIS,
EUGENE. I CAN'T
WAIT TO
FINALLY OPEN
YOU UP.

WHY,
CARNAGE? WHY TAKE
ARTHUR KRANE AND
NOT THE SENATOR
HIMSELF?

TAKING THE
OLD MAN WAS THE
IDEA. I'D BEEN MAKIN'
MY WAY TO HIM
FOR WEEKS.

ARTHUR
WAS THE LAST
LINK IN THE
CHAIN BEFORE
I GOT TO
DADDY.

BRRRRRAAAAAAKK

BUT
WHEN I GOT
IN ARTHUR'S
HEAD...TURNS
OUT HE WASN'T
THE GOOD BOY
EVERYONE
THOUGHT
HE WAS.

HIS
WHOLE LIFE,
HE'S PLAYED
EVERYBODY HE
EVER MET.

"AMERICA'S
SWEETHEART"
ARTHUR KRANE...

...IS ACTUALLY
AN AWFUL LOT
LIKE CLETUS
KASADY.



"AS A YOUNGSTER,
HE STARTED OUT
WITH ANIMALS..."



"...THEN A FEW
HOMELESS
BUMS..."



"...EVEN A FEW
CLASSMATES AND
GIRLFRIENDS
OVER THE YEARS."

"AND OLD DAD
WAS ALWAYS
THERE TO CLEAN
UP THE MESS."



WHEN I CAME ALONG,
ARTHUR WAS ALREADY
WORKIN' OUT A PLAN TO
KILL HIS OLD MAN AND
MAKE A PLAY FOR HIS
SENATE SEAT.

I WAS
IMPRESSED!
WHO NEEDS A
SENATOR? I
LIKE WHERE
I'M AT.

THWACK

ARTHUR
AND I GONNA
GET ALONG
JUST FINE.



I HAVE
SOME
THOUGHTS
ON THAT.

TEHOOOOM

AGH.....!



HOPE YOU
DON'T MIND, FLASH.
LOOKED LIKE YOU
COULD USE
AN ASSIST.

THOUGHT
I MIGHT
TAKE THE NEW
EXTREMBIOTE
ARMOR FOR
A SPIN.



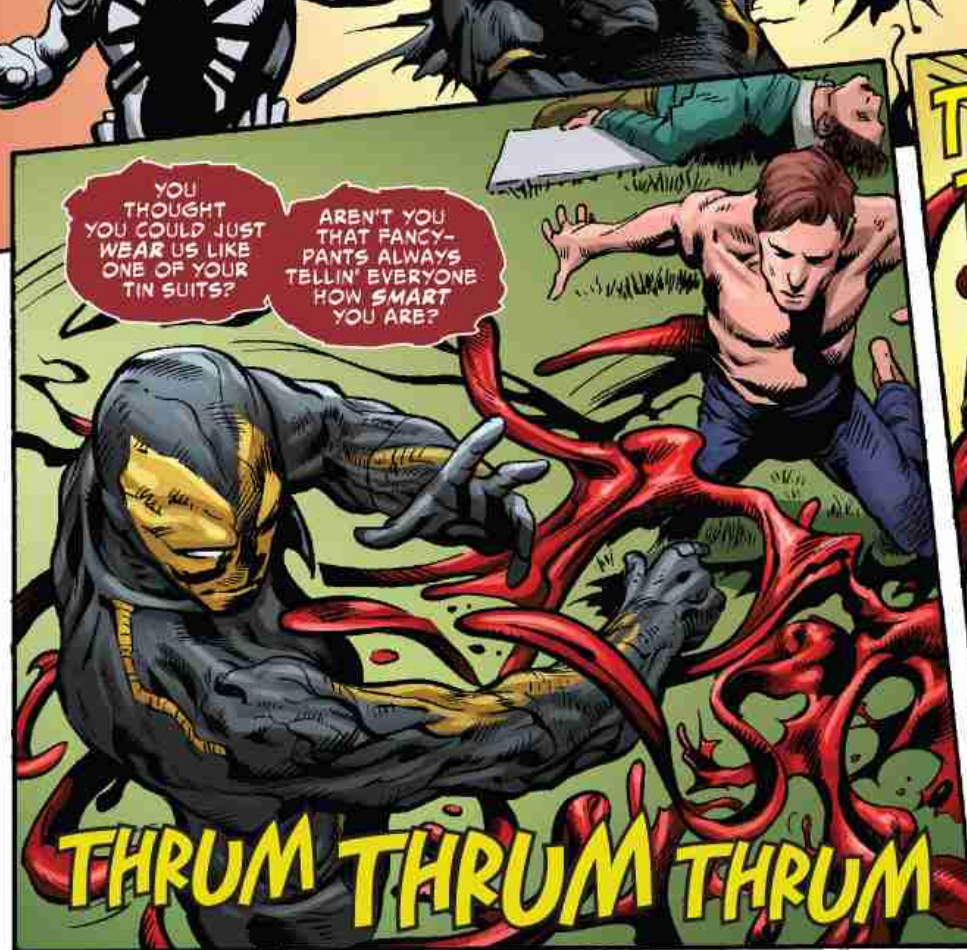
GRRRR



I HAD
IT UNDER
CONTROL,
TONY.

STOP!

D-DON'T
TAKE IT
AWAY!!!













I GUESS
THESE ALCHEMAX
CREEPS ARE
FINALLY ON
OUR SIDE?

THEY'RE PACKING
THE NEW TECH
THAT DR. STEVEN'S
BEEN PREPPING FOR
US. HE CAME
THROUGH.

KRANE



JUST ONE
LOOSE END
TO TIE UP
NOW.

WH-WHERE
ARE THEY?
ARE THEY
GONE?



Y-YOU
DON'T BELIEVE
THOSE THINGS
IT SAID, DO YOU?
THAT WAS THE
ALIEN! IT WAS
LYING!

IT WASN'T
ME! Y-YOU'VE
GOTTA HELP
ME!



IT
WASN'T
ME!

"I LET
YOU DOWN,
FLASH."

LATER THAT NIGHT.
WALTER REED NATIONAL MILITARY MEDICAL CENTER.



ARE YOU
KIDDING?

YOU HAVE
NO IDEA HOW
MUCH WORSE IT
WOULD HAVE BEEN
IF YOU HADN'T
BEEN THERE,
HANK.

HOW'S
THAT? THEY
KNOCKED ME OUT
BEFORE I EVEN
GOT A SHOT
OFF!



...RIGHT.

LOOK,
I KNOW
THINGS DIDN'T GO
HOW WE WANTED.
CARNAGE PLAYED
US, AND PEOPLE
DIED. THAT'S
ON ME.

BUT THE
INTEL YOU GAVE US
SAVED MORE LIVES
THAN WE LOST. I'LL BE
CALLING YOU AGAIN
IF YOU'RE UP TO IT.



SURE.
I MEAN, I
GUESS.

BUT YOU'RE,
LIKE...ONE OF
THEM NOW, MAN.
WHAT USE DO YOU
EVEN HAVE FOR A
NORMAL GUY?



THERE'S
A LOT MORE
TO YOU THAN
YOU REALIZE,
HANK.

BELIEVE
ME.



YOU'LL BE
SEEING ME
SOON.



HOW'D IT GO?

HANK DOESN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING.

YOU DON'T THINK IT'S A LITTLE MESSED UP, NOT TELLING HIM HE'S GOT A **SYMBIOTE** HIDING IN HIS NERVOUS SYSTEM?



WHAT WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO--LET HANK GO **ALONE?** IF I HADN'T SENT SLEEPER TO BOND WITH HIM, HANK WOULD BE **DEAD** FOR SURE.

HE **THOUGHT** HE KNEW THE RISKS HE WAS TAKING, BUT I COULDN'T SEND HIM IN THERE WITHOUT **BACKUP**.

I'M JUST SAYING, MAN. I'D WANT TO KNOW.



I'LL TELL HIM, ALL RIGHT? I JUST...

...I DON'T KNOW **HOW** YET.



SPEAKING OF GUILT WE'LL BE DEALING WITH FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES, **YOU'RE** JUST A KID, BREN.

WE SHOULD HAVE **NEVER** ENDANGERED YOU THIS WAY. YOU SHOULD GO HOME.

WHAT?!



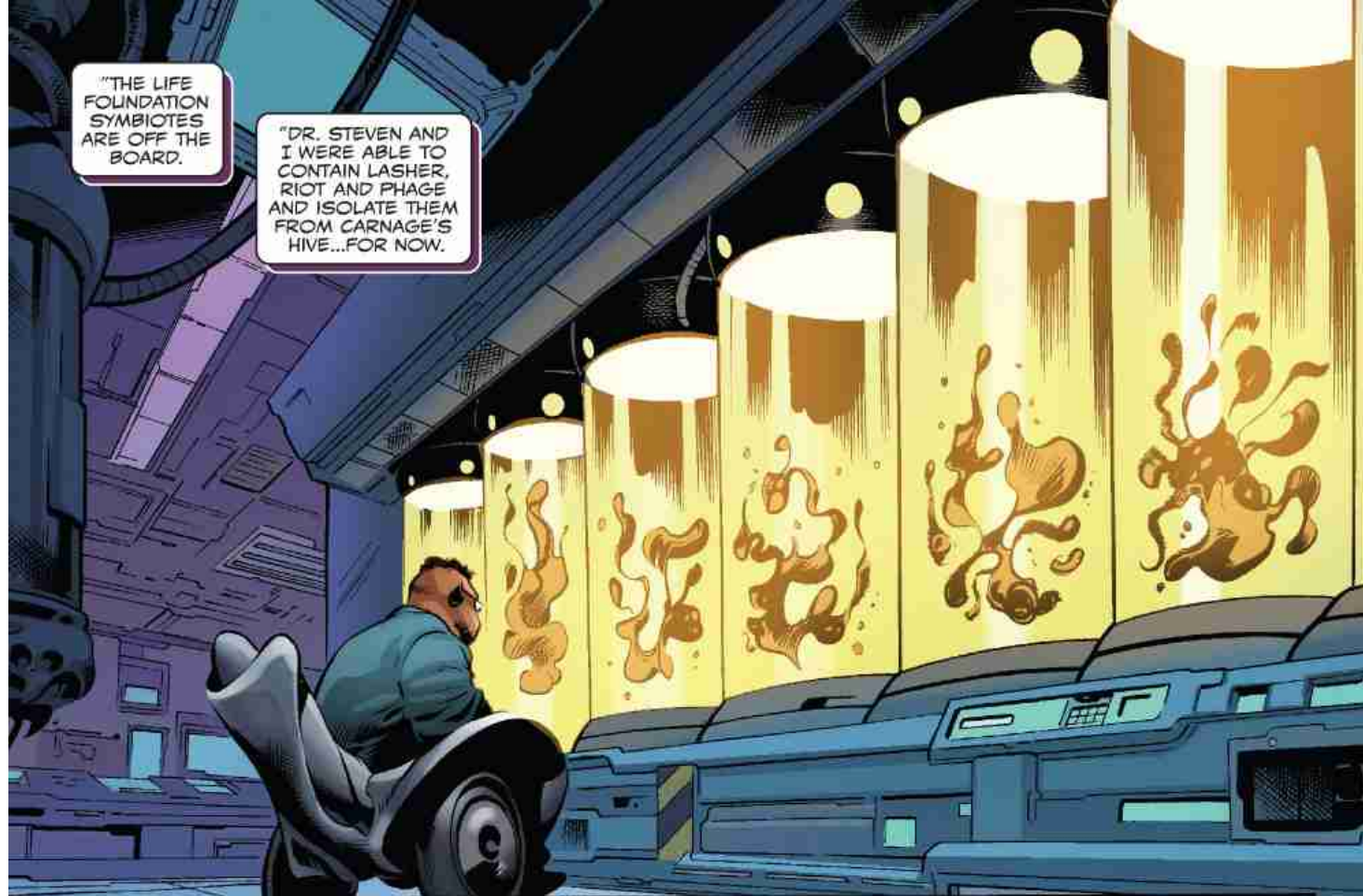
NO WAY, ANDI--ME AND TOXIN ARE A TEAM! WE'RE A TEAM! YOU ALL WOULD'VE BEEN BURGER IF IT WEREN'T FOR US!

NOBODY'S SAYING YOU DIDN'T DO GOOD, BREN. IT'S NOT ABOUT THAT.

I'M IN THIS NOW! **WE'RE** IN IT, TOXIN AND ME! AND YOU **NEED** US! WHAT IF THEY COME BACK?

"THE LIFE FOUNDATION SYMBIOTES ARE OFF THE BOARD."

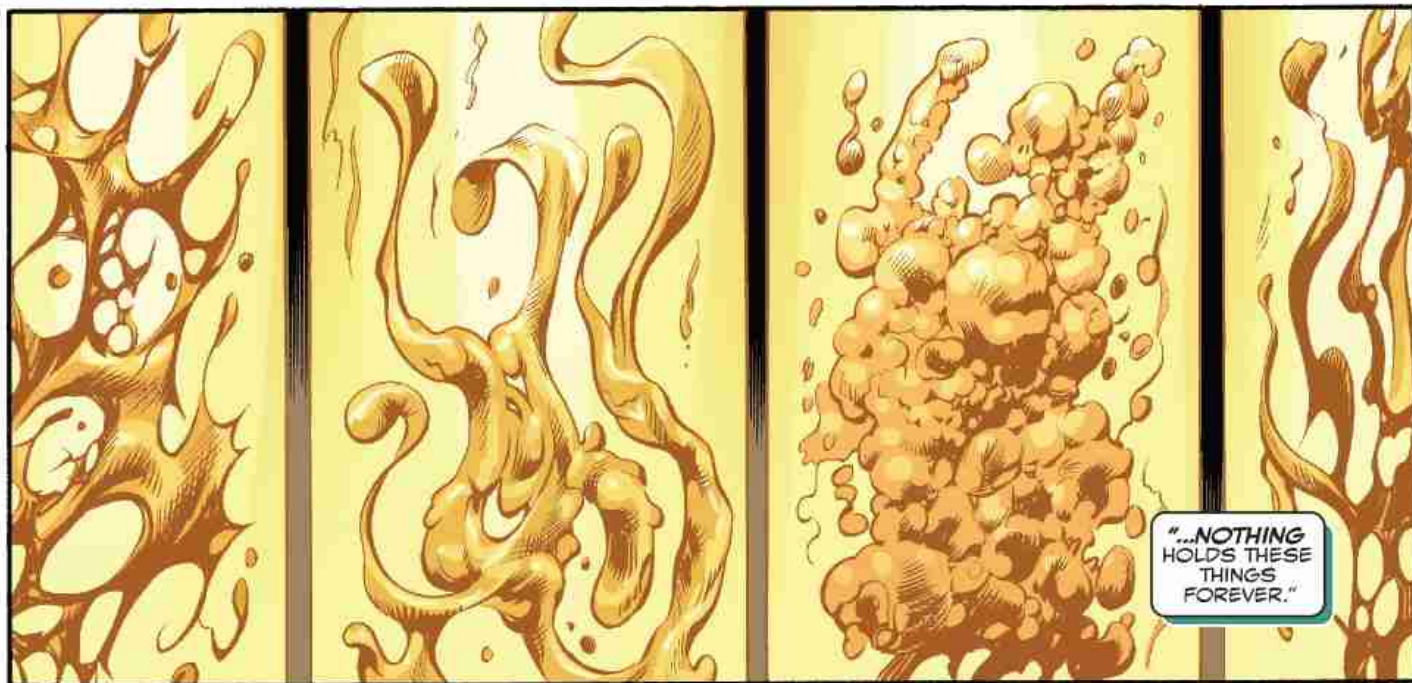
"DR. STEVEN AND I WERE ABLE TO CONTAIN LASHER, RIOT AND PHAGE AND ISOLATE THEM FROM CARNAGE'S HIVE...FOR NOW."



"DOCTOR STEVEN IS CONFIDENT HIS NEW SECURITY PROTOCOLS WILL HOLD THEM."

"ARE YOU SERIOUS AND?"

"OF ALL PEOPLE, YOU SHOULD KNOW..."



"...NOTHING HOLDS THESE THINGS FOREVER."



KID'S GOT A POINT, ANDI. DR. STEVEN CAME THROUGH TODAY, BUT HOW LONG TILL THIS HAPPENS **AGAIN?** CARNAGE AND AGONY ARE STILL IN THE WIND.

I STILL DON'T LIKE IT.



BUT TOXIN **DID** CHOOSE THE KID AS HIS HOST.

HE'S ALREADY PART OF THIS, WHETHER WE KEEP HIM AROUND OR NOT.

YEAH, IF SOMETHING ELSE DOES GO DOWN, HE'LL BE SAFER WITH A TEAM THAN ON HIS OWN.



I CAN HANDLE THIS. AND BESIDES...YOU **NEED** ME.

IF ALL OF **US** HADN'T BEEN THERE TODAY, I DON'T THINK WE WOULD'VE WON THIS ONE.

"WON"?



HAVE YOU NOT BEEN PAYING ATTENTION?

WE **DIDN'T** WIN, BREN. A LOT OF PEOPLE DIED. WE COULD'VE DIED.

CARNAGE PUT **IRON MAN** IN THE HOSPITAL, AND TOOK HIS "EXTREMBIOTE" TECH. WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THAT THING IS **CAPABLE** OF YET.



"THE WORLD **SAW** THIS TODAY, AND PEOPLE ARE MORE SCARED OF US THAN THEY'VE EVER BEEN.

"PEOPLE ARE SLEEPING WITH **GUNS UNDER THEIR PILLOWS** TONIGHT.



"THEY'RE GONNA BE GLARING AT EACH OTHER ON THE STREET, ON THE BUS OR IN THE CLASSROOM, LOOKING FOR ANY REASON TO YELL 'ALIEN.'

"THE **FRIENDS OF HUMANITY'S** NUMBERS ARE ABOUT TO **SKYROCKET**, IF THEY HAVEN'T ALREADY.



"AND THE GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK JUST APPOINTED **ARTHUR KRANE** TO HIS DAD'S SENATE SEAT.

"PETER KRANE'S A **MARTYR** NOW, AND ARTHUR'S THE NEW POSTER CHILD FOR THE ANTI-ALIEN MOVEMENT.



"WE DIDN'T WIN THIS ONE AT ALL, KID.

"BETWEEN **CARNAGE** BEING ON THE LOOSE AND **ARTHUR KRANE'S** STAR ON THE RISE...



"...I THINK WE'RE ALL IN A LOT OF TROUBLE."

PLEASE...
GEMMA...

...BRING HIM BACK.

I CAN'T
HEAR HIM
ANYMORE.

HE'LL
COME BACK TO
ME...WON'T
HE?

I DON'T
KNOW, ARTHUR.
I DON'T KNOW
WHAT CARNAGE
WILL DO.



BUT HE
BELIEVES YOU
CAN STILL BE
USEFUL.

IS
THAT TRUE,
ARTHUR?



ARE YOU
STILL USEFUL TO
USSSSSS?

Y-YES...
I CAN BE
USEFUL...



...I'LL DO
ANYTHING HE
WANTS.

THE END?

NEXT:

VENOM

#1!



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